

WISCONSIN BROWN SWISS ASSOCIATION



2016 Nelson McCammon Youth Achievement Award Application

DEADLINE:

FEBRUARY 20, 2016

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The Achievement Award recognizes outstanding youth work in the Brown Swiss breed. To be eligible to compete, the youth must have been 9 and not yet 21 by January 1 of the year they are entering and must have owned a Brown Swiss registered animal in their name for at least one year. Each entrant should send this completed application directly to the junior advisor listed.

The entire application should reflect the efforts and thoughts of the youth in his/her work with Brown Swiss cattle. The application should be typed or written clearly so judges do not misread information. Please mail your book to Olivia Gloede and submit a copy via e-mail to Olivia's email address (ohgloede@gmail.com).

Please include the following components:

A. FRONT & BACK COVERS

Be creative. Covers will not be judged. Photos on the front and back covers are acceptable.

B. INDEX

Book should contain an index of section C-L. Page numbers are not required.

C. TWO PHOTOGRAPHS

Two current wallet-sized photos must be mounted on one page with name, age, and complete address. Keep in mind that these photos will be used for press release purposes. Scanned photos are not acceptable.

D. BROWN SWISS PROJECT SUMMARY FORM

Use Youth Achievement Page 1 or re-type it to include all necessary information.

E. STORY OF JUNIOR BROWN SWISS WORK

Not to exceed eight double-spaced pages using Times New Roman 12-point font. You should include discussion of your breeding, feeding, management, herd health, and record keeping programs. Questions to answer include:

- 1) What have you done to merchandise or promote the animals in your herd?
- 2) Since you have owned Swiss, in what areas do you think your animals have improved the most?
- 3) What specific areas do you think still need improvement?
- 4) What is the most important factor to increase the present production in your cows?
- 5) What are your overall goals for your Brown Swiss?

F. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS

Not to exceed five pages. This section does not have to be double-spaced. List your activities from the most recent year to your first year beginning with dairy project work, and include achievements, awards, and offices held. These are to be the highlights of your career as a Junior Brown Swiss member. This should include all types of projects and activities . . . Brown Swiss, 4-H, FFA, school, church, and community.

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G. INVENTORY OF REGISTERED BROWN SWISS OWNED

Limit to three pages. List your current herd in a neat and concise fashion. The list may include: animal, date of birth, sire, dam, and estimated value. If you would like to list all animals you have owned and are no longer in your herd, it is recommended you list them on the bottom of the page. Leased and partnership animals should be listed under a separate heading.

H. SUMMARY OF PRODUCING COWS

Use Youth Achievement Page 2 or re-type it to include necessary information.

I. OBTAINING & FINANCING ANIMALS

Limit to two pages. Explain how your animals were obtained and financed

J. BREEDING PROGRAM

Limit to three pages. Breeding program should include mating program and philosophy, cow families and herd development plans. Explain what the three most important classification linear traits you feel need strengthening in your herd are. Specifically list which bulls you have selected for your breeding program in the past 2 years. What was the basis for your choice?

K. CLIPPING & PICTURES ABOUT YOU

Limit to five pages — front only. Photos and clippings should exhibit the following activities: Brown Swiss, 4-H, FFA, school, church, and community.

L. PERSONAL VIEWS

Answer the following question in one page or less.

Think about your dairy's management practices. Pick an area (breeding & genetics, feed & nutrition, or herd health). Tell your general practices and what you feel is good about them or outline ways to improve one of these management areas.

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Send completed applications to:

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N9279 State Rd 175

Theresa, WI 53091

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Name: _____
 First Initial Last

Date of Birth: _____

Complete Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

National Director District in which you live: _____

Approval of Local 4-H Leader, County Extension Agent, Vo-Ag Instructor or FFA Advisor:

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Approval of Parent or Guardian:

Signature: _____

Name: _____

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